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TAGS: PFOR, ET, US, JA, CVIS (WORKEYE, EBEBE, 8 MAY 1941,
HARRAR, ETHIOPIA)

SUBJ: ETHIOPIAN NAC DELEGATE REQUESTS USG ASSISTANCE

REF: SINGAPORE 3882: STATE 211301

1. EBEBE WORKEYE VISITED CONSULAR SECTION 23 AUGUST SEEK-
ING ASSISTANCE BOTH FINANCIALLY AND TO ENTER U.S. HE
UNDERSTANDS THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR U.S. TO GRANT ASYLUM.
AT THIS SHORT MEETING, HE SAID HE WAS ANXIOUS TO CONTACT
PROF. SAITO, THE UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE, AND ALSO AMNESTY
INTERNATIONAL. WHILE HE WOULD PREFER TO GO TO U.S., HE
STATED HE WOULD BE WILLING TO RESETTLE SOME OTHER SUITABLE
COUNTRY, BUT THAT IN A FEW MONTHS OR YEARS HE WANTED TO
RETURN TO ETHIOPIA WHEN IT WAS NO LONGER CONTROLLED BY
MILITARY DICTATORSHIP. HE IS STAYING WITH A JAPANESE
FRIEND.

2. EMB OFFICER INFORMED HIM OF PROVISIONS U.S.
IMMIGRATION LAWS. IT IS POSSIBLE HE MIGHT QUALIFY FOR
THIRD PREFERENCE STATUS BASED ON HIS EDUCATIONAL QUALIFI-
CATIONS. HE ATTENDED SOPHIA UNIV. IN TOKYO AND WAS IN
JAPAN FOR NINE YEARS AND SPEAKS JAPANESE AS WELL AS
GOOD TO EXCELLENT ENGLISH. EMB HAS CONTACTED UNHCR
REPRESENTATIVE AND REQUESTED THAT WORKEYE RETURN TO EMB
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